

\$2,492,000 IN BONDS TO BE VOTED FOR TOMORROW

SOME FACTS FOR VOTERS IN VOTING FOR BONDS

**Central Park Proposition Carefully Reviewed--Vote
For the Good and Reject the Bad Features
of the Bond Ordinance.**

Unfortunately the campaign in behalf of the municipal improvement bonds has been waged more in behalf of the proposed Central Park than for all the other projects embodied in the bond ordinance. Everything else has been subordinated to that one proposition and the merits of the other features of the public improvement scheme obscured by the persistency with which it has been sought to make approval of the park scheme the sole test of loyalty to progress.

To this mistake has been added another still more distracting and mischievous. An injudicious effort has been made to silence objections to the Central Park scheme by personal attacks. Detraction and politics have been dragged into the controversy, provoking ill feeling, arousing dormant resentments and stirring up antagonism to features of the improvement scheme that have not even been criticised.

By making Central Park the head and front of the bond campaign, and importing personal issues and factional politics into the controversy respecting its value and availability, the whole public improvement scheme has been placed in jeopardy. This is a

most regrettable phase of the situation, but it was made inevitable by the attempt to browbeat objections to the Central Park purchase.

From the first THE TRIBUNE has endeavored to give all sides a fair hearing and to eliminate politics and personal bitterness. It has refrained from attacking men's motives and has declined to publish communications assailing men personally for the views they have expressed. It believed that sentiment in behalf of the bonds could not be created by such tactics, and the disturbed and resentful state of the public mind on the eve of election has confirmed that conviction. The public is neither to be deceived nor bullied.

THE TRIBUNE'S unqualified support has been given to all the projects embodied in the bond ordinance save the Central Park scheme. In regard to that we have permitted a free debate in these columns, desiring that the truth should be known. A variety of opinions has been set forth, and there is abundant reason to believe the opposing views have been carefully scrutinized and analyzed. As THE TRIBUNE has been the only paper to give all sides a full hearing, it columns have been studied with unusual diligence. Whatever the result this paper will

have nothing to regret.

On no account should the children's playgrounds, the small parks, the Polytechnic School and the bituminous crosswalks projects be permitted to go down to defeat.

As to Central Park, such men as Assessor Henry J. Dalton, Henry Rogers, vice president of the Oakland Bank of Savings, and John Nicholl, state positively that the property it is proposed to sell the city for \$300,000 is worth only from \$15,000 to \$50,000. These men are large property-owners, thoroughly conversant with land values in this city and personally familiar with the property in dispute. Their statements are supported by the assessment roll and successive appraisements in probate.

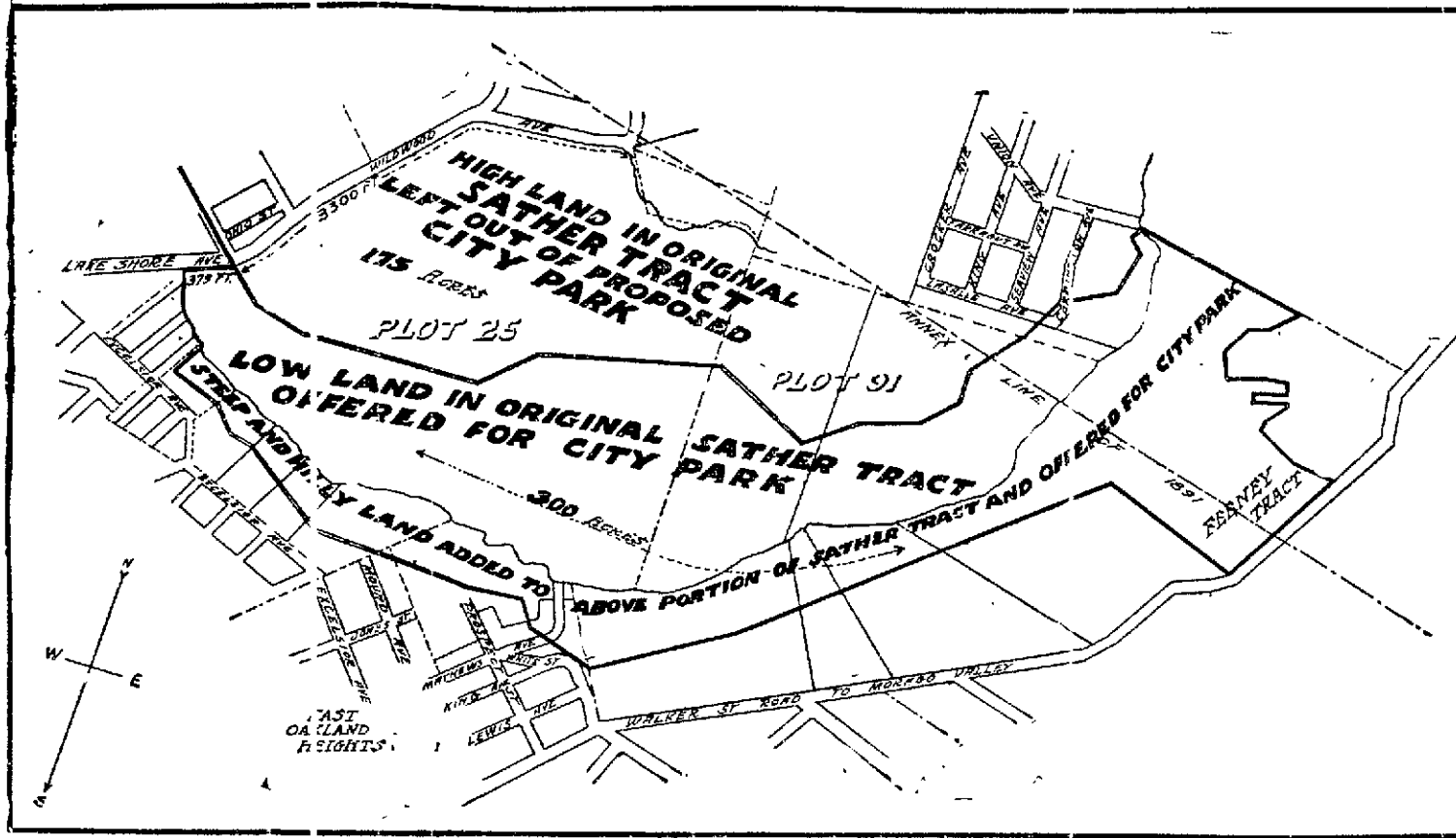
But aside from the question of value, the objections raised by Mr. John McLaren, superintendent of Golden Gate Park in San Francisco, a disinterested authority of the highest standing, appear to be conclusive. Mr. McLaren said the high points on either side of the proposed site should be included, otherwise the park would be shut out from all view, being confined in a narrow gully between steep bluffs.

He said a railroad should not, under any circumstances, be permitted to run through the park, yet we are informed by the owners of the property that a right of way through it has already been sold to a railroad corporation, which is now surveying the line of construction.

Mr. McLaren also objected to the entrance as being too narrow and not opening toward Lake Merritt. Finally, he declared the plateau portion of the Sather tract, comprising its larger and better part, should be included in the park site. This touches the heart of the controversy and will be decisive in the minds of a large proportion of taxpayers.

The effect of the bond issue on the tax rate is germane in every respect. The effort to stifle discussion on this point was a mistake which it is now too late to rectify. The taxpayers have an indefeasible right to know what the proposed improvements are going to cost them. Therefore, Assessor Dalton's presentation on this point was perfectly legitimate, however much exception any one might take to his conclusions. It is noteworthy that his statements as to the effect on the tax rate have not been successfully controverted. Indeed, his critics have devoted more attention to attacking his position and his motives than controverting his statements.

The very best showing that has been made by the bond advocates figures out a tax rate of \$3.15 for the first year. Dalton places it



MAP SHOWING THE TRACT OF 305 ACRES WHICH THE REALTY SYNDICATE HAS BONDED TO THE CITY FOR \$300,000, AND WHICH ASSESSOR DALTON SAYS IS WORTH ONLY \$45,000, SHOWING THE PORTION OF THE SATHER TRACT EXCLUDED.

at \$3.26—not such a great difference after all.

If the Central Park proposition be omitted the aggregate of the bond issue will be reduced nearly half a million. To be exact, the amount will be reduced from \$2,492,000 to \$2,042,000. This would cut \$29,250 off the first year's tax levy.

Here is what Mr. McLaren says about the Central Park site:

WHAT M'CLAREN SAYS

"Are not those high ridges included in your park site? You must get them. If you do not control the ridges people will build on them and shut out all of your beautiful views."

"I, moreover, advise you not to permit the Oakland Transit Company, whose surveyors I see here at work, to run their line through the park, as appears to be their intention. You will always regret it."

"I also advise you to secure the entire portion of the Sather tract which has been left out of the present site. You need it all in your park."

"Another question which should interest you is your water supply for irrigation purposes. If, as you tell me, you can get it out of the creek, and can sink wells, well and good, but you will need a great deal of water."

"So far as the money to be expended in improving the property is concerned, you can probably make a fine showing with the appropriation of \$150,000. The place has many natural beauties, and the soil, to me, seems good."

"JOHN M'CLAREN."

WHAT ASSESSOR DALTON SAYS

"I believe the entire tract, which is proposed to buy for \$300,000—or \$1000 per acre—would be well sold at from \$40,000 to \$50,000; in

vice president of the Oakland Bank of Savings, says about the value of the site:

STATEMENT OF HENRY ROGERS.

"This is an outrageous attempt to foist a lot of worthless land on the people of the city. In the first place, a lot of deception is being practiced, for it is not the original Sather tract that the people are being asked to vote on."

"Now, I am well acquainted with the land in question and there is a large portion of the site that is being offered to the people of the city for \$1000 an acre that I would not give \$150 for. Out of the 300 acres that are being offered there are but ten acres that are worth anything. As a matter of fact, the land is rugged, and especially is this true of the upper portion lying along Indian Gulch."

Do you want to pay \$300,000 for a Park and then have a Railroad run through it with a Trestle 80 feet high? The City will have absolutely no control of that portion of the Park.

"In all justice to the people of the city the line separating the proposed park site from the Sather tract should have at least been drawn straight. As it is, anybody can see that the lines of the section are zigzagged like the teeth of a saw. If the entire Sather tract had been included in the park proposition the scheme would not have been so bad."

WHAT ASSESSOR DALTON SAYS

"I don't consider the property included in the park lines, as a whole, worth \$200 per acre."

fact, if it were offered to any other buyer than the city for \$50,000, I believe there would be many a weary day of waiting for a purchaser. In the course of my duties as Assessor I valued the Sather tract as a whole this year at \$358 per acre, averaging it all over. Nearly every valuable acre of it is outside of this proposed park. In putting this valuation on it I endeavored to rate it at its cash value, as I did all other properties."

STATEMENT OF JOHN NICHOLL

John Nicholl, proprietor of the Nicholl block at the corner of

"I have been led to believe that there was running water in the creek. I did not find any. There is not water enough in the creek to give a goat a drink."

"The park lines as drawn put me very much in mind of taking several chunks out of a dollar and then attempting to sell the dollar for two dollars."

"I have been a resident of Alameda county since 1853 and I am familiar with real estate values. I have been in favor of improvements, bonds and advancement, and was in favor of the Central Park proposition until my attention was recently called to it."

Here is Assessor Dalton's analysis of the bonding proposition so far as it financially affects the taxpayers:

EFFECT ON THE TAX RATE

To the People of Oakland: Tomorrow the people of the city of Oakland are to vote on a proposition to bond the city for \$2,490,000.

This is a very large sum. So large, that it will, if carried, increase the amount of money to be raised annually by the amount necessary to pay the 4 per cent interest, which is \$99,600, and one-twentieth of the principal of the bonds, which is \$62,250.

This makes a total of \$161,850 to be added to the tax levy the first year.

After the first year the interest will decrease annually by the comparatively trifling sum of \$2490; but the \$62,250 to be raised for payment on the principal of the bonds is a constant quantity to be levied every year for the entire forty years.

And the large sum of \$99,600 for interest is to be lessened every year only by the trifling sum of \$2490.

The assessed value of the property of the city of Oakland is about

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PROJECTS ON WHICH PEOPLE WILL VOTE

Central Park	\$ 450,000
City Hall and Additional Land for Same	650,000
Park and Playgrounds	570,850
Boulevards	301,670
Sewers	121,440
City Wharves	15,000
Dredging Lake Merritt	48,400
Concrete Culverts	49,640
Bituminous Crosswalks	127,000
Polytechnic High School	143,000
Public Library	15,000
Total	\$2,492,000

DALTON CHARGES THE CORPORATIONS WITH SHAPING THE BOND ORDINANCE

Intimates That the Document Was Framed in Their Interests. He Asks a Number of Pointed Questions Concerning the Water Company and the Realty Syndicate.

To the People of Oakland:—Before election, the present city government was pledged by the most solemn pledge that a man can take, to give the people a chance to vote on a proposition to relieve themselves from the extortion of the Contra Costa Water Company. The water question was the most important one during the last city campaign. The campaign cry was "a municipal water supply owned and controlled by the people." The members of the city government were pledged to submit to the voters of the city, a proposition to vote bonds to acquire a water supply before any other improvements were attempted. After waiting eighteen months for a chance to vote on water bonds, the voters are now asked by the city government to vote on a proposition to bond the city for anything and everything except water. What does this mean? Has the fine hand of the Contra Costa Water Company been at work demanding of the city government, bonds for everything but water?

If the people vote in favor of bonding the city for \$2,940,000, the bonding possibilities of the city will be so near the limit, that we cannot bond for a sufficient sum to acquire a water supply. Why does the Contra Costa Water Company want the city bonded for \$2,940,000 more than we are now bonded for? So that the city cannot be bonded enough to secure a sufficient water supply. Will the issuing of these bonds be in the interest of the Contra Costa Water Company? I say, "yes." The cost of the city government last year, raised by taxes, was \$636,820.51. The cost to the people for water last year was over \$800,000—a much larger sum than was raised by taxes on the whole of the property in the city of Oakland. Do the people of Oakland want to issue bonds for the purchase of land at such an exorbitant price, thereby making the bond issue so great, that there will not be margin enough for a water supply? I think not!

Is it not better that the people of Oakland should vote against the issuing of bonds for the schemes that have been proposed, and demand from our city government that they keep their pledge to the people, by submitting to further delay a proposition to issue bonds to secure a water supply? A city that is bonded for the purpose of securing and owning its water supply, gas and electricity, must necessarily be progressive, because the revenue derived from water, gas and electricity can be used towards supporting other branches of the city government—thereby cutting down the tax rate to the lowest possible amount.

What does it mean to the tax payers of the city of Oakland to issue \$2,940,000 more bonds?

First—that \$2,940,000 more must be raised this year to meet the running expenses of the city government. Instead of raising by taxation \$636,820 the amount that was raised last year, granting that the expense in other departments of the city government will not be any greater than they were last year, we must raise \$861,070 thereby increasing the tax rate from \$1.25 on the \$100 valuation to \$1.77 on the \$100 valuation. If we are permitted to judge the future by the past, we must expect that the expense of maintaining the city government will increase at the same ratio as the valuation. We know from the records, that the expense of maintaining the city government in 1886, with a property valuation of \$29,866,200 and a tax rate of \$0.45 on the \$100 valuation, was \$2,382,790; and we further know that from the same source in 1902, or eighteen years later, inclusive of both years, that we had a valuation of \$60,000,000 in round numbers, with a tax rate of \$1.26 on the \$100 valuation and there was raised and expended \$636,820.51 for the maintenance of the city government an increase of 66 1-3 per cent over the expense of running the city government in 1886. Allowing, as we all hope the case will be, that the assessable value of the property in the city of Oakland will increase in value more rapidly during the next twenty years than it has during the past twenty years, have we not the experience that the cost of maintaining the city government will increase as rapidly as the assessable

value of the property will? We have no better way of judging the future than by the past. The experience of nearly every city in the United States is that the expense of maintaining their city governments is much greater than the increase of the revenue. Before issuing more bonds to acquire property that is not self sustaining, let us endeavor to reduce the property expenses of the city and county governments, so that the property holder does not have to sacrifice his property to pay the excessively high taxes under which they now groan.

Is it not better to kill the present bonded scheme rather than to call for a tax of \$5.26 on the \$100 valuation for State, county and city purposes, thereby causing the property owner to pay \$6.30 on the \$100 valuation more than was paid last year? Who are the people who are trying to persuade the voters to bond the city for the purchase of land at an exorbitant figure, parks, etc., etc.? The real estate men and the Realty Syndicate, who will be greatly benefited by the selling to the city, property in the proposed Central Park worth \$45,000 for \$300,000 thereby making a net profit of \$255,000 on the sale of the proposed land and \$250,000 of land that is not necessary for city hall purposes, as the city now owns sufficient land upon which to build a beautiful City Hall.

Why is the Oakland Herald so active in advocating the bonding of the city of Oakland? Because it is owned and controlled by the people interested in the Realty Syndicate! Who owns and controls the Oakland Herald? The people who own the land that they want to sell to the city for \$300,000 and other land for parks. I believe that every voter who votes "No" on this bonding scheme is a far better friend to the future growth and prosperity of Oakland, than those who vote "Yes."

We should first vote bonds for water, and after we have water, beautify the city—but make sure of water first. By voting for this bonding scheme the taxes will be increased to such a figure that people will not come here to invest their capital. When a person goes to look at a piece of property, if he is satisfied with the location and price, he asks, "what is your tax rate?" and you are forced to tell him, "\$5.26 on the \$100 valuation," and then he asks you, "how much do you pay for water?" and he is informed about our excessively high water rate, do you think he will invest here? I don't think so. I trust that the voters will kill this bonding scheme, thereby not allowing our opportunity to pass for securing a water supply on account of not having a sufficient amount of money with which to purchase a supply, and further, because we cannot prosper with a higher tax rate than the one with which we are now burdened.

Remember that if this bonding scheme passes, by your votes, you will be forced to pay \$6.30 more on the \$100 valuation, \$18.90 more on the \$300 valuation, \$31.50 more on the \$500 valuation, and \$63.00 more on the \$1000 valuation than you paid last year. In other words, where you paid last year \$26.30 on the \$1000 valuation, you will pay this year \$32.60 on the \$1000 valuation. Don't be deceived by being told that as the valuation increases the tax rate decreases, for such is not the case.

The total valuation of Alameda county in 1886 was \$55,928,622.00, with a tax rate of \$1 on the \$100 valuation, and there was raised for State and county purposes \$502,188.44. In 1902 the assessed value had been increased to \$126,556,217.20, with a tax rate of \$1.37 on the \$100 valuation, and there was raised for State and county purposes \$1,842,823.44, or an increase of \$1,240,635 over and above what it cost to run the county government in 1886. Alameda county has no bond interest or bond redemption to meet, and yet the expense of running the county government has increased over 300 per cent in eighteen years. (Compare \$502,188.44 expense in 1886 with \$1,842,823.44 expense in 1902. The assessed valuation of Alameda county increased from \$55,928,622 to \$126,556,217.20 and the rate increased from \$1 to \$1.37. An increase in assessed valuation of \$70,627,595.20. There has been an increase during the last eighteen years in the expense of running the city and county governments of \$1,623,594.81. Does this look like decreasing the rate as the assessed valuation increases?

HENRY P. DALTON.

EFFECT ON THE TAX RATE.

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\$51,000,000. Bonds have already been issued to the amount of \$960,000 for school purposes, bearing 4 per cent interest, thus requiring an annual payment of \$24,000 of the principal and \$38,400 interest for the first year.

This latter decreases annually by less than \$1000, to be exact, \$960, making a total sum of \$62,400 to be raised on the school bonds. \$24,000 of this is on account of principal and \$38,400 for interest, less the trifling annual sum of \$960 for interest.

This sum must be raised and will be put in this year's tax levy for the first time. So, in case the proposed issue of \$2,990,000 be authorized by the vote of the people, the next tax levy must be increased by the amounts annually payable on the two issues of bonds, and will amount the first year to \$224,250.

This will continue for forty years, reduced annually only by the small amount of 4 per cent on the previous payment of one-fourth of the principal. The total assessed value of the property in the city of Oakland at present is about \$51,000,000, and the present city rate is \$1.26 on \$100 assessed valuation. Assuming the same or approximately the same assessed value next year, and there is no reason to expect any considerable increase of actual value, the levy must be increased to \$1.70 on \$100 assessed valuation.

To this must be added a sufficient sum for maintenance of the properties proposed to be acquired by the bond issue—such as labor, water, and all other incidental expenses. At a conservative estimate, this will amount to \$35,000, requiring a further levy of 7 cents on the \$100 valuation, which will bring the tax levy up to \$1.77 on the \$100 valuation.

The State and county tax rate this year is \$1.49 on the \$100 assessed valuation.

The citizens of Oakland are asked to vote that the total tax levy shall be \$3.26 on the \$100 assessed valuation, an amount equal to the rate of interest paid by the savings banks on the deposits of their depositors.

In 1886 the assessed valuation of property of the city of Oakland was \$29,866,200. The tax rate was 85 cents on the \$100 valuation.

In 1903 the assessed valuation had been increased to \$50,000,000, with a tax rate of \$1.26 on the \$100 valuation.

There was raised by taxation in 1886, with a tax rate of 85 cents, \$253,862.70 for city purposes. In 1903, with a tax rate of \$1.26, there was raised \$636,820.51, or an increase of the expense of running the city government over the expense in 1886 of \$382,957.81.

The assessed value of the city property increased from \$30,000,000 to \$50,000,000, an increase of 66 2-3 per cent, or \$20,000,000. The expense of maintaining the city government increased from \$253,862.70 in 1886 to \$636,820.51 in 1903, an increase of \$382,957.81, or 66 1-3 per cent, thereby plainly showing that my contention is correct; for the reason that in 1903 the tax rate should have been 85 cents or less, but instead has steadily increased to a rate of \$1.26 on an increased valuation of \$20,000,000 assessable property.

HITKE AGAINST BONDS

Councilman Gives Reasons for Opposing the Issue.

Editor: TRIBUNE: Sir—Permit me to say a last word to the taxpayers of Oakland through the medium of your valuable paper on the bond issue. Little is to be said in opposition of the merits of the bond issue was possible at the Council table commensurate with the importance of the subject, and what little was said there was generally omitted from the Oakland daily papers.

If the taxpayers of Oakland wish to keep the tax levy at anything like a reasonable burden, they must vote against the bond scheme. The tax rate is already high. The school bond issue has to be added to the present rate and if the whole bond issue is to be voted on tomorrow should carry the tax levy for some years to come would not be less than \$5.30 on the \$100.

This is a crisis point in Oakland's history, and it is incumbent on every citizen who has the welfare and good of Oakland at heart to take seriously before voting for a scheme which would bring the tax levy in Oakland annually up to a total of \$1.90. This is a crisis point in Oakland's history, and it is incumbent on every citizen who has the welfare and good of Oakland at heart to take seriously before voting for a scheme which would bring the tax levy in Oakland annually up to a total of \$1.90. This is a crisis point in Oakland's history, and it is incumbent on every citizen who has the welfare and good of Oakland at heart to take seriously before voting for a scheme which would bring the tax levy in Oakland annually up to a total of \$1.90.

Again, if this bond scheme carries, it will be impossible to acquire a new and efficient municipal water supply, which would cost not less than \$600,000, and I am sure a first-class plant with a new distributing city system, could not be gotten from more than one company at about that figure. The would cost the city annually for interest and redemption not more than \$100,000. If the bond issue is carried, it would be a waste of money to acquire a new and efficient municipal water supply, which would cost not less than \$600,000, and I am sure a first-class plant with a new distributing city system, could not be gotten from more than one company at about that figure.

Recognizing the necessity of a city water supply, and the fact that the city is now bonded for the purpose of securing a water supply, I am, therefore, sure, if practicable and available for our city, a few remaining months of the present term Council's term is left, but sufficient time is still before us if we desire to see the work done and the city saved.

From the above it will be seen that as the assessed value increases the amount of taxes has increased in the same ratio. I again say, that if the people of the city vote in favor of the bonding scheme proposed, that our taxes will be 63 cents on the \$100 valuation, or \$63.00 on the \$1000 valuation, more than last year.

HENRY P. DALTON, Assessor.

GAVE A LUNCHEON TO JOHN REDMOND

WASHINGTON, September 26.—At luncheon today the President and Mrs. Roosevelt entertained John P. Redmond, the distinguished Irish member of the British Parliament; Mrs. Redmond and Professor Benjamin Ide Wheeler, president of the University of California.

DR. WALKER BACK FROM THE EAST

Dr. C. H. Walker has returned from New York and has resumed his practice at Thirteenth and Washington streets.

JAPANESE MAKING PLANS

Expect to Turn Russing Wing East of Mukden.

ST. PETERSBURG, September 26.—A dispatch has been received from General Kurapatkin announcing that the Japanese are preparing an extensive turning movement east of Mukden. A large force is advancing from Liao Yang by way of Tai Che to Tsian Schan. Skirmishes have occurred in the valley of the Han River and at Jipu, between Japanese and the railroad. There were many casualties at Jipu.

JAPANESE WERE DRIVEN BACK.

ST. PETERSBURG, September 26.—General Sukharoff, in a dispatch dated yesterday, telegraphs that the Japanese advance guard during the last few days attempted to occupy Kacouou Pass, commanding the road to Fushun, but were repulsed by a detachment of the Russian advance guard.

On the south front all is quiet, though shots are exchanged daily and skirmishes occur between the advance posts.

CHINESE COULD NOT HARVEST.

MUKDEN, September 26.—Doubts are beginning to be felt as to whether it will be possible to continue the campaign through the winter, which begins in November. The Chinese have been unable to harvest their crops and there probably will be much distress as it is very difficult to bring up stores from China for the native population.

NO NEWS OF THE ARMIES.

CHENG FOO, September 26.—No news has been received here today regarding the movements of either belligerent.

THOMAS M'KEE PASSES AWAY.

Thomas J. McKee, 32 years of age, died yesterday at the Providence Hospital of typhoid fever. He was a native of San Francisco and had resided here nearly all his life. He leaves a wife. The funeral will be held tomorrow from the Church of the Immaculate Conception.

STEALS GIRL AND GOODS

This is Charge Mother Makes Against Her Son-in-Law.

Matthew Gates, a gentleman of color and some pretensions as a society leader, was arrested last night by the police on a charge of embezzling the household goods belonging to his mother-in-law, Esther Ramsey, who is now engaged in completing a six months' sentence in the city prison.

According to Mrs. Ramsey, her son-in-law not only took advantage of her imprisonment to take all of her worldly goods, but also stole her 14-year-old daughter, Arline. The young couple were married a few days ago. The groom is alleged to have committed perjury by swearing his bride-to-be was 18 years of age.

Gates says the goods he took to furnish a home for his bride, were his own.

The case will come up tomorrow in the police court.

GIRL PLAYED WITH MATCHES

The home of E. Tames, 473 Oakland avenue, was visited by fire this afternoon with nominal damage. A little girl playing with matches set a curtain on fire and the curtain and a couch were destroyed.

RAYMOND, September 26.—Oscar Guidice, a well known resident of this place, was drowned last evening in the San Joaquin river near the town of Santa. Guidice was 19 years of age. He left his home in this city to work on the Castro ranch. It is understood that he was herding cattle at the time he met his death. The young man was a native of Hayward and leaves a father and four brothers. The body will be shipped to this city this evening. The funeral arrangements have not yet been announced.

POLLING PLACES FOR BOND ELECTION

Number and address of polling places to be used at bond election to be held in Oakland, September 27, 1904.

FIRST WARD.

First precinct, 3888 San Pablo avenue; second precinct, 3789 San Pablo avenue; third precinct, 6535 Shattuck avenue; fourth precinct, Fifty-first street near Telegraph avenue; fifth precinct, Fifty-first street and Webster street; sixth precinct, 4162 Telegraph avenue; seventh precinct, southwest corner Grove and Fortieth streets.

SECOND WARD.

First precinct, 263 1/2 street; second ward, northeast corner Thirty-fourth and Peralta streets; third precinct, 1839 Market street; fourth precinct, 955 San Pablo avenue; fifth precinct, 1330 San Pablo avenue; sixth precinct, northeast corner Twenty-sixth and Telegraph avenue; seventh precinct, 774 Telegraph avenue.

THIRD WARD.

First precinct, Twelfth and Campbell streets; second precinct, Aloha Hall, Center street between Seventeenth and Eighteenth sts.; third precinct, Fourteenth and Adeline streets; fourth precinct, Fourteenth near Linden streets; fifth precinct, Eighteenth and Brush streets; sixth precinct, 324 San Pablo avenue; seventh precinct, 1507 Grove street.

FOURTH WARD.

First precinct, 1804 Seventh street; second precinct, 1712 Seventh street; third precinct, 1564 Seventh street; fourth precinct, 1182 Seventh street.

FIFTH WARD.

First precinct, 1016 Seventh street; second precinct, 672 Seventh street; seventh precinct, Eleventh and Market streets.

SIXTH WARD.

First precinct, 407 Tenth street; second precinct, southeast corner Eleventh and Franklin streets; third precinct, City Hall, four precinct, Kane & Daly's stable, Fourteenth and Webster streets; fifth precinct, Piedmont Power House; sixth precinct, 1722 Webster street.

SEVENTH WARD.

First precinct, 228 East Eighteenth street; second precinct, Kindergarten building, East Fourteenth near Tenth avenue; third precinct, Gillam's Store, 1128 Thirteenth avenue; fourth precinct, William's Place, East Fourteenth and Eighteenth avenue; sixth precinct, south side Fifteenth street between Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth avenue; eighth precinct, northeast corner Twelfth avenue and East Twelfth street, eighth precinct, 273 East Twelfth street.

Polls open 6 a. m., close 5 p. m.

OBJECTS TO RAILROAD THROUGH THE PARK

Thomas Cowell Points Out Peculiar Feature of the Central Park Proposition.

Editor TRIBUNE: I have closely followed the pro and con statements in your paper regarding the bond election. I have also paid attention to remarks uttered outside the press. Here are the conclusions I have arrived at:

A certain body of men desire to sell to the people a tract of land for a park. They have already sold themselves a right of way, to wit, an electric road through that land and reserved to themselves the choicest portions for resident sections.

They claim they will have no station in the park. Any feature with the slightest discernment can easily see there are easier ways to enter Oakland than through tunnels and overhang treckles (but for park patronage).

"Away back youth and spurn the seat."

With freedom of thought for all, ever consider me, faithfully yours,

THOMAS COWELL.

1210 East Eleventh street, Oakland.

TRIED TO TAKE HIS LIFE

J. H. Harding is Unsuccessful in His Endeavor to End His Life

BERKELEY, September 26.—The victim of a mysterious attempt at suicide, J. H. Harding, for a number of years a member of the State Legislature of Pennsylvania, lies dangerously wounded at the Fabiola hospital.

Harding shot himself in the head at his residence, 1531 Fairview street, South Berkeley yesterday morning, but neither his wife nor his friends can offer any explanation or the deed other than that he might have been dependent over ill health.

The first intimation of the deed came when Mrs. Harding, who was alone with her husband, heard a pistol shot ring out. When she found her husband lying in a pool of blood she cried out so loudly that the attention of neighbors was attracted. Dr. Z. Kelley was called and the wounded man taken to Fabiola hospital.

Harding formerly practiced his profession as an attorney in San Francisco but for the past three years he had not been actively engaged in business of any kind. He was extremely reticent about his business affairs and it is stated that he was recently greatly concerned over legal descriptions his business affairs in the East.

Expecting to play a game of chess with his life-long friend, C. W. Kelley, went to Harding's house at 11:30 o'clock yesterday morning and was horrified to find that he had attempted his life.

Concerning the case Kelley said: "I have known J. Harding for many years. We came from Wyoming county, Pennsylvania. For years I have been associated with him in various business deals. There has been a re-

RECOVERS BUGGY FROM C. A. CONE.

F. R. Ross, representing the Oakland Carriage and Implement Company, this morning recovered a buggy before Police Judge Smith by search warrant proceedings. It was shown that the carriage company sold the buggy on the installment plan to F. A. Cone. He is alleged to have sold the buggy to C. A. Cone.

After these facts were established Judge Smith ordered the buggy returned to the carriage company.

B. F. LANCFORD IS DEAD

LODI, September 26.—Benjamin F. Lanchford died at the Lanchford Colony yesterday, aged 78 years. Deceased was a pioneer of this State, coming to California in 1850. He was the founder of the Lanchford Colony, one of the richest fruit raising districts in the State. Mr. Lanchford was elected from this district to the State Senate, and for twenty-two successive years he was returned to the Senate by his constituents. He was familiarly known as the father of the Senate. The deceased was a Knight Templar.

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MILLIONS ARE THE STAKE

Big Suit is Being Argued in Sacramento Court.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., September 24.—Superior Judge J. W. Hughes today heard argument on demurrer in the suits brought against the State by Max Frank and the Union Trust Company of San Francisco for the recovery of \$2,000,000 on Montgomery avenue bonds. The trust company's suit is for \$665,000, with accrued interest, and Frank's suit is for \$65,000 with accrued interest amounting to \$89,250.

The State interposed a demurrer through Attorney-General U. S. Webb, setting up insufficiency of facts in the complaint and alleging lack of jurisdiction on the part of the court.

The arguments presented by both sides this morning were devoted to the construction of the legislative enactment authorizing the construction of Montgomery avenue and the creation of the bonds for defraying the cost of the work. The plaintiffs were represented by ex-Judge S. W. Holliday and E. B. Holliday of San Francisco, Attorney-General Webb and Deputy Attorney-General A. G. Stewart appearing for the State.

SHOT IN THE FACE

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 24.—Seeing eleven Chinese coming toward him in menacing attitude and one of them armed with a long club to assault him, Alphonse Mathieu, a manufacturing jeweler living at 922 Ellis street, shot Tor Tong in the face last night in the Chinese laundry of Son Lee at 616 Larkin street.

He escaped from the place, leaving word for the police that he would surrender at the Hall of Justice. Owing to his inability to procure bondsmen last night Mathieu did not deliver himself up until 9:30 o'clock this morning. He was booked at the City Prison on a charge of assault to murder by Detective T. J. Coleman. The wounded Chinese is at the Central Emergency Hospital.

Mathieu went to get about \$50 worth of clothes which the Chinese has been withholding, claiming that there was money due, although Mathieu denies the claim. He was accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. A. Martinez, and his son, Mathieu, who demanded his clothes. "No money," was the only reply he could get. When he moved forward as if he would investigate the laundry to satisfy himself, one Chinese seized a club about four feet long and rushed toward Mathieu. Other Chinese dropped their work to assist their fellow-countryman.

CHILDREN IN A CRITICAL CONDITION

CINCINNATI, Ohio, September 24.—Of those who died from the Peasant Ridge school accident three are in a critical condition. Several others are prostrated and in bed today.

Henry Swift, formerly janitor, today repeated his statement that the four partially caved in two years ago when he laid additional boards on the floors and that members of the board disregarded his warning.

The latter reply to the accusations that Swift was offended when he was discharged.

WANTS A REPRIEVE

William Buckley Hopes to Have Execution Stayed.

SAN FRANCISCO, September 24.—Wm. Buckley will bring San Quentin on October 7, unless the Governor grants a reprieve. It was stated today by Judge Lawlor yesterday by Frank J. Murphy, one of the attorneys for Buckley, that he had been assured the Governor would grant a reprieve for ninety days. For the reason Murphy wanted a stay of execution to give the chief executive of the State an opportunity to exercise the pardon which is his. Buckley declined to accede to the request and Buckley must immediately be taken to San Quentin.

Buckley was convicted of murder in the first degree, the victim being George W. Rice, who was shot during the strike of the machinists while on a car at Twentieth and Harrison streets, on October 11, 1901. Thomas Moran, Charles Corcoran and Edward Duncan were also arrested and accused, but to Buckley was meted out the extreme penalty of the law. Buckley has always stoutly maintained his innocence, and his attorneys have worked indefatigably to save him, but apparently without avail.

Governor Pardee, so far as can be learned has not made any official announcement as to what he intends to do. Murphy claims to have his information from a reliable source.

CHARLES WYMAN IN NEW ROLE

SAN FRANCISCO, September 24.—When Charles Wyman, hallo-box stuff, took the witness stand this morning and in answer to questions by Judge Cabaniss swore that he was in court yesterday afternoon from the time that his hearing was called until the Judge ordered a continuance he temporarily at least headed off an investigation that threatened to make no end of trouble for some of the close friends of Abe Reiss. An attempt has been made to defeat the ends of justice by substituting a man who looks like W. man for the defendant.

STRIKERS MUST PAY FINES

COURT HOLDS THAT THEY DISOBEYED THE INJUNCTION.

OMAHA, Neb., September 24.—Geo. Stevens, secretary of the local council of the Amalgamated Meat Butchers' Union, was today fined \$25 and costs by the United States Judge Klunger for violating an injunction of the Federal Court, restraining the packing house strikers from interfering with non-union men who sought employment during the recent strike.

Thirty-four of Mr. Stevens' associates were fined \$20 each and a proportion of the costs. They were all ordered committed until the fines were paid.

REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR.

The more varied a man's accomplishments the less money he can make. A woman never requires a man to love her if he has the knack of making love.

Every woman believes that if the President knew how well she brings up her children he would write her an autograph letter.

When a man reaches the age when the most important thing in the world is a temperature of his morning bath he has given his wild days.

When a woman can't think of anything else to make herself miserable she will read over all her old letters and cry to think how different it is now.—New York Press

MORE RAIN IS COMING

Storm Goes Out to Sea and Comes Back.

SAN FRANCISCO, September 24.—The unprecedented rainstorm continues, the total precipitation up to 9 o'clock this morning being 4.2 inches, more than four times the amount ever before recorded here in the month of September. Since that hour there have been several heavy showers and more rain is predicted by the weather bureau. Considerable damage has been done in various parts of the city, but in no single case has the loss been very heavy. At the Cliff House several windows were broken by the spray driven in from the ocean today when the last.

Acting Forecast Official Wilson said today:

"At present the storm has swept back to sea. It is crossing its own track and coming in again and as will receive much more rain."

The van of the storm barely reached Los Angeles where only a slight rain fell before it sheered off into the sea. When it comes back, though, it will probably give the entire southern part of the State a good soaking."

MISS NOLEN IS LAID IN GRAVE

IMPRESSIVE SERVICES HELD AT HER LATE HOME THIS AFTERNOON.

The remains of Miss Alma Nolen, daughter of Mrs. H. B. Wayne, and for several years an attaché of the business office of THE TRIBUNE were Saturday afternoon committed to an early tomb in the burial plot of her grandfather, J. B. Martin, at San Lorenzo.

The funeral took place from the late home of the deceased, 837 Madison street, in this city.

It was attended by a large number of the acquaintances of the deceased and by all the associates to whom the young lady had endeared herself in life. The regard in which the deceased was held was symbolized in floral offerings, the fragrance of which pervaded the chamber of death.

An affecting scene was presented when the last sad farewell was spoken by the clergyman, who formally represented those outside the immediate relatives who had learned, through years of acquaintance to know and love the young woman who had, upon the eve of becoming a bride, been ruthlessly claimed by death.

Death is welcomed never by the beautiful and the young, because to them life has vistas which lead to Elysium. He was an unbidden visitor at the home of Miss Nolen, and today when the last words were being spoken and a tender tribute was paid to the virtues of the deceased, eloquent protest of grieving hearts was made.

The remains lay in the back parlor. Around was a wealth of flowers and above them hovered the symbol of purity, a dove volant while a faint glow suffused the cheeks of the sleeper.

In the reading of the impressive words of the Psalm incorporated into the funeral ceremony, Rev. Dr. Dille was tender and sympathetic. That one so young, beautiful and assured should be taken away made tremendous his voice and brought tears to many eyes.

Several hymns were sung by members of the choir of the First Methodist Episcopal Church and then the last farewell was said.

The floral tributes were many and most beautiful.

The pall bearers were A. De Witt, H. Wood, L. Spang, W. Stevens, Charles Bock and A. H. Norton.

WIFE REFUSED TO JOIN HIM.

T. B. JENKINS IS DIVORCED ON GROUND OF DESERTION.

An interlocutory decree of divorce was granted T. B. Jenkins from Fannie Jenkins this morning by Judge Melvin on the ground of desertion. They were married in Nogales, Arizona, where he was employed in the railway service and was afterwards changed to this city but his wife refused to accompany him to this Coast.

There were no children and after waiting more than a year for his wife to change her mind in this regard he brought the suit decided in his favor today.

GROCERY BOY.

I wisht 'at I wuz th' grocery boy; I'd like th' holler. "Giddyup th' Bill!" (An' I'm my horse a couple of swats). An' race down th' 'nnoo fit 't kill.

II.

I wisht 'at I wuz th' grocery boy; I'd get on th' cart with a run an' leap (An' I'm my horse a couple of swats). An' lay on th' 'nnoo like I wuz asleep.

III.

I wisht 'at I wuz th' grocery boy; I'd act as tough as I could be (An' I'm my horse a couple of swats). An' make th' 'nnoo cuss at me.

—Cleveland Lender.

WIFE ON HAND

Jas. Lawler Says: He Married While Intoxicated.

SAN FRANCISCO, September 24.—When James Lawler, a young man of this city, recovered from a two days' spree a month ago he found a wife on his hands. The first news he heard when he reached sobriety was that he had been married. He thought it all a joke and at that laughed it away but he soon presented himself armed with a marriage license to show that he had a legal right to bear the name of Mrs. Lawler.

A few of his escapades young Lawler could remember, but he couldn't recall a meeting with the girl who said she was his wife and whose statement seemed to be substantiated by the written evidence in her possession. He didn't submit gracefully, however, to the force of a benediction, but immediately took steps to learn if the nuptial knot could be untied. Hence the suit for annulment filed Thursday by Attorney James P. Sweeney.

The bride of this unusual marriage was formerly Miss Kattie Redon, a girl who alleges in his complaint that he "came a husband on August 21 of this year, but not of his knowledge at the time. He claims to have been under the influence of liquor for several days and to have been unconscious when he was married. He asks the court to annul the marriage, claiming that had he known what he was doing he would not have done so. Kattie Redon, a wife, but who had been elected to remain single.



BEN LITZENSTEIN Who is delegate to Barbers' Convention at Louisville, October 4th, from Local Union, No. 124.

MOTHER SECURES CHILD

With her seven-year-old daughter in her arms, Mrs. Alice Woods left Judge Elsworth's department on the Superior Court Saturday afternoon in her fight for the child. After months of separation mother and daughter were reunited and the custody of the child taken from Jacob B. Woods and given to the mother.

Jacob J. Woods was granted divorce from Alice Woods over a year ago on the ground of desertion. He also was awarded the custody of the child, a boy and a girl. On the stand today Mrs. Woods said that she had made no objection to the father having the children as she was not in a position to care for them at that time and for the further reason that he had agreed to let her them in the custody of his sister, A. Taylor, where she could visit them as often as she pleased.

Since then she has established herself in an interesting establishment and states that she is making enough money to take care of the child. Some months ago, without warning, Woods took the children and went to Olinia, in Shasta County where he has been living in a cabin, and the children were left much to themselves.

When Mrs. Woods found that he had gone to make his home permanently there, she began an action in court to obtain possession of the little girl, letting the father have the boy.

In granting the suit, the hearing of which has taken up the past two days, Woods attempted to attack the fitness of the mother or have charge of the children on the ground that she had visitors to her rooms at unusual hours of the night, and that upon one occasion when some woman took the room her door was locked, although they knew she was inside.

No proof of immorality, however, was produced against her and Judge Elsworth, in giving his decision, stated that he did not go much on the attempt to blacken her reputation. He held that the child was of such an age that she needed a mother's care and attention and awarded the child to the mother.

JEFFERSON MAY NOT APPEAR AGAIN

CHICAGO, September 24.—Professor William Castle, brother-in-law of Joseph Jefferson, has received information regarding the great actor's health which indicates an extreme improbability that Jefferson will ever be seen on the stage again.

In a letter to Professor Casté, Mrs. Jefferson says that Mr. Jefferson is very ill and that she believes he has made his last appearance before the public.

BORN.

RHODA.—At Fruitvale, September 24, to the wife of Rev. Franklin Rhoda, a daughter.

DIED.

CROSS.—In this city, September 16, 1904, Bessie Cross, dearly beloved mother of Hattie F. Cross, a native of Salem, Maine, aged 55 years 4 months and 7 days.

KNOX.—In Oakland, September 26, at 496 Twenty-fourth st., William Henry Knox, beloved husband of Emma and father of Henrietta, Ernest, Julia, Fred, Edna, William and Dorothy Knox, Mrs. W. J. Wilmer and Mrs. J. B. Crandall, a native of Germany, aged 60 years.

CORNWALL.—In San Francisco, September 26, Pierre E. Cornwall, husband of Sada E. Cornwall, and father of Mrs. Florence C. Moore, Mrs. Edward Fisher, Arthur W. and Bruce Cornwall, a native of Delaware county, New York, aged 82 years 10 months and 2 days.

KEEP.—In this city, September 25, F. J. McKee, beloved husband of Margaret A. McKee, and father of son of Susan A. McKee, a native of San Francisco, aged 37 years.

LOWENBERG.—In Fruitvale, September 23, Alice Lowenberg, widow of the late William Lowenberg, beloved mother of Mrs. Charles E. Lowenberg, beloved daughter of Mrs. Childers, and sister of Mrs. Charles E. Lowenberg, aged 47 years.

BROWN.—In San Francisco, September 24, at his parents' residence, 1414 Hawthorne street, Charles Nicholas, beloved son of Michael J. and Margaret Keeling, and brother of Catherine E. and J. F. Brown, and nephew of John F. Brown and Mrs. William Murray, a native of San Francisco, aged 1 month and 13 days.

BUKER.—In Sacramento, September 23, Charles F. Buker, beloved son of Charles and Clara A. Buker, and brother of Florence and Florence Buker, a native of California, aged 10 years and 3 months.

BURKE.—In San Francisco, September 24, John H. Burke, a native of New Jersey, aged 55 years, 10 months and 17 days.

BYRNES.—In Kentfield, Marin county, September 23, Mary J. Byrnes, beloved mother of John F., Harry A. and James S. Byrnes, a native of Ireland, aged 64 years (Virginia, Nov., papers please copy).

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Parker's Attack on Roosevelt

Judge Parker's letter of acceptance is intensely personal. In manner it is calm enough, but its matter bristles with charges of a grave character against the President. In plain words, it is a bitter personal and partisan attack on Mr. Roosevelt made by his competitor for the Presidency in defiance of established usage and in contradiction to the policy laid down by Judge Parker himself. There is hardly a pretense of discussing party principles or party differences, the body of the document being devoted to criticism of the President's acts and allegations impugning their constitutionality.

The Democratic candidate has presented himself in a new light by issuing this screed. Only a few days ago he addressed a letter to the editor of the Democratic Campaign. Textbook requesting that no personal attacks be made on the President and that nothing be inserted reflecting on his honor and integrity, yet he now follows up that pronouncement with direct charges of maladministration and unconstitutional usurpation. He accuses Mr. Roosevelt of stifling investigation of abuses in the several departments of the Government; of usurping functions forbidden by the Constitution; of favoritism in making army and navy appointments; of extravagance in administration; of spending money without warrant of law. He charges the President with assisting in the dismemberment of Colombia when Panama seceded and set up a government for himself. Pension order No. 78 is vigorously assailed. The word "usurpation" is frequently used and the President is specifically accused of violating national faith.

It will be at once observed that for the purpose of giving those personal charges point, the veracity of the Executive and his Constitutional advisers is directly impeached. It is assumed that the President's official communications to Congress do not state the truth and are to be discredited as unworthy of belief. The charges of favoritism in making army and navy appointments and of frustrating proper inquiry in the postal frauds impugn the honor of the Chief Executive. In short, Judge Parker endeavors to make the campaign a purely personal one.

It is an extraordinary position for a candidate who claims to represent principles rather than personal contention, and who has so recently placed himself on record as opposed to personal detraction, to take. In endeavoring to make the American people believe that Theodore Roosevelt is unworthy of belief and confidence, and a man who is lawless and unsafe in public office, Judge Parker has challenged the decency and patriotism of the Nation. He has also invited a minute inquiry into his personal character and the character of those under whose auspices he appears in this campaign—the McCarrens, Hills, Taggart, Belmonts, Sheelans, Murphys, Tilmans, Vardamans, et al., who dominate the Democratic party and direct his canvass. The question now is: Has Judge Parker, with those men behind him, more of the trust, respect and confidence of the American people than Theodore Roosevelt, with John Hay, Leslie M. Shaw, William B. Allison, Shelby M. Cullom, William P. Frye, Eugene Hale, George F. Hoar, Charles Warren Fairbanks, Dr. Lyman Abbott, Elihu Root, Victor H. Metcalf, et al., behind him?

We hardly think there can be any doubt as to the answer the people will make at the polls.

The issue rightly is between the Democratic party, with its personnel and record, and the Republican party, with its personnel and record, but if Judge Parker wishes to make the issue a personal one between himself and his advisers and President Roosevelt and his advisers, no Republican will object. It will be so much worse for Judge Parker.

In his speech accepting the Congressional nomination in the Fourth district, Hon. Julius Kahn laid particular stress on the fact that California should send men to Congress who will hold up the hands of President Roosevelt, men who are in sympathy with his aims and the progressive policy to which he is committed. Mr. Kahn is right. No other President has ever been so warmly interested in the Pacific Coast as Mr. Roosevelt, none ever so personally conversant with the needs and resources of this section of the Union or in such ardent sympathy with Western spirit and aspiration. The people out here in California owe it to themselves to back up the President by sending men to Congress who will co-operate with him instead of carping at him and endeavoring to thwart his efforts to develop the commercial and industrial resources of the Pacific States. Mr. Kahn's advice is an exhortation for Californians to stand by their friends.

Choosing Presidential Electors

Why the proposition to elect delegates to the Electoral College by Congressional districts instead of the State at large should be brought forward at this time is not clear, as the discussion can only be tentative and academic, but it has little to commend it.

If the theory on which the Constitution was framed is to be departed from there is no reason why the Presidents should not be elected by popular vote. Choosing Electors by Congressional districts abolishes electing the President by States but falls short of placing the election in the hands of a popular majority.

When the Constitution was framed, the idea was that the States—not the people—should elect the President. While the number of inhabitants determined the representation given each State in the popular branch of Congress, each State was given an arbitrary representation of two—the smallest getting as much as the largest—in the Senate, and this arbitrary representation was carried into the Electoral College. Hence a single Congressional district in New York or Pennsylvania has only one vote in the Electoral College while the State of Delaware, comprising a single Congressional district, has three Electors in the College. Under this system, it is possible for a Presidential candidate to receive an enormous popular majority yet fail of election.

It is true that the legislatures of the State have the power to determine how the Presidential Electors shall be chosen, but unless election by districts should prevail throughout the Union, the adoption of the plan in individual States would smack of political jobbery—as in the case of Michigan in 1892. The choice of Electors need not be submitted to the people at all. Up to 1860 the Presidential Electors from South Carolina were elected by the Legislature. This proceeding was in entire conformity with the spirit of the Constitution, which was based on the theory that the Federal Union was a confederacy of sovereign States. This theory has been modified by the Thirteenth, Fourteenth and Fifteenth Amendments and is obsolete in the public mind, but it is still firmly imbedded in the organic law, however, so far as the method of choosing a President is concerned. It is the States, not the people who elect.

Election by popular vote would require the adoption of a Constitutional amendment, which is well nigh impossible under existing conditions. It would require a two-thirds vote in both houses of Congress to submit the amendment, which would then have to be ratified by three-fourths of the States—not by popular vote. Does any one suppose the small States would voluntarily surrender the extra power they now enjoy and at the same time give up the sovereign dignity with which they are at present invested?

For a large State to adopt the plan of choosing electors by Congressional districts would be to make still more potent the power of the small States. In a close election Delaware might offset New York in the Electoral College. New York has thirty-nine votes in

the college. If eighteen of the Congressional districts were to go Democratic and the other nineteen go Republican, the Republicans would only have a majority of three of the Electoral votes of the State, precisely the number Delaware and Nevada have. It has happened quite often that one party carried a majority of the Congressional districts of a State although the other party had a majority of the popular vote. Hence, it cannot be said that election by districts is a step in the direction of choosing the President by popular vote.

The gerrymander is also to be considered in this connection. By skillfully drawing lines, the votes of one party may be massed in a few districts while the vote of the other party is so distributed that it will elect an undue proportion of Congressional representatives. Choosing Presidential Electors by district would, therefore, make gerrymandering more flagrant than it is today, and consequently make the Presidency an issue in every legislative district in every State.

It is significant that the story that Southern California is being overrun with wild watermelons was sprung just at the moment a movement was inaugurated to attract colored immigrants to this State. Evidently the boosters south of Tehachapi have studied the tastes of the colored brother.

THE RECEPTION TO METCALF

The reception to the Hon. Victor H. Metcalf last night in Oakland was all that was required to show the esteem in which he is held by his neighbors and other fellow citizens. The speeches were very happy and the response of the guest of the evening was dignified and able, evincing that grasp of affairs that is characteristic of a Mr. Metcalf's public utterances. Since taking up the duties of the Department of Commerce and Agriculture he seems to have saturated himself with facts and figures that afford a better idea of the resources and conditions of the country than volumes would that might be indifferently cited.—Alameda Argus.

SOME PASSING JESTS

YEARNING.—Gladys—Mamma, don't you wish you were a canary? "Cause then you could take a bath with your clothes on.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

HELPING HIM SAVE.—"Is your wife economical?" "Very. She can fix over a \$10 hat for \$15 so it will look just as good as a new one."—Puck.

A RUSTY RETORT.—Kind Lady—Here is a glass of water. Certainly you can drink that.

Tramp—No, mum. I've got an iron constitution and de water would rust it.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

NAUGHTY APHRODITE.—Aphrodite was rising from the waves.

"What's the row?" asked Neptune. "No row," said the goddess. "How do you like my bathing suit?" "Where did you leave it?" he asked.—Detroit Free Press.

PAPA'S FRANKNESS.—"What would you think if your daughter were to elope?"

"I'd think," replied the discouraged old man, "that so nobody had been stringin' the fellow concernin' the amount of money I'm worth."—Chicago Record-Herald.

EXPERT ADVICE.—"Mrs. Sourly, you've been married for several years, and I am about to take unto myself a husband. What advice would you give me?"

"Learn to play solitaire."—Detroit Free Press.

TOO FRESH.—"That child seems to be spoiled." "He is not spoiled. He's entirely too fresh."—Philadelphia Ledger.

MEMORY'S FAILURE.—Brown—I have just discovered what it is that destroys a man's memory completely. Green—What was it—alcohol or tobacco? Brown—Neither; it's doing him a favor.—Chicago News.

HIS DAYS OF TOIL.—"I suppose," said the drummer, "you labor on the Sabbath and rest the remainder of the week?" "No," replied the village parson. "I try to collect my salary on week days."—Chicago News.

IN ALABAMA.—Stranger—I hear you have a man in this township who votes the Republican ticket. I suppose the other folks don't associate much with him?

Native—Oh yes, they do. It's Uncle Goshall Henlock. He don't mean nuthin' by it. Only does it to be pig-headed.—Houston Chronicle.

AMBIGUOUS.—"And so you like Miss Learned, Louise?" "Yes, indeed," replied the enthusiastic Louise, who had just returned from an autograph hunting expedition, "and you can't tell by talking to her that she has a bit of sense, auntie."—New Orleans Picayune.

WHAT CAUSED IT. There once was a dignified mme. Who scorched on a road of macme; When lo, by mistake, A rough road she did take, And immediately thought that she hme. —Automobile Magazine.

CHIPS FROM OTHER BLOCKS

Mr. Pulitzer's production, "Protection, Privilege and Plutocracy," probably furnishes the alliterative slogan that has been looked for ever since the campaign opened.—Galveston News.

Mr. Rockefeller has just pocketed a \$13,000,000 take-out from the Oil Trust. The preacher-manufacturing capacity of the J. C. will probably be enlarged before spring.—Atlanta Journal.

There has been a dozen violent deaths in New York within a week, and the police are trying to save their reputations by presenting theories to show that all of the victims committed suicide.—Washington Post.

That foxy young Czarevitch got his pa to abolish flugging before he was old enough to get his share.—Chicago News.

A thousand army horses stampeded at the British army maneuvers because they heard a pistol shot. Useful animals in a real battle they would be, would they not?—New York World.

Judge Parker is said to be popular with the chorus girls. No wonder Hill talks of retiring.—Buffalo News.

Russia is paying \$1,500,000 a day for its war, but it's getting the very best brand on the market.

HIS FAREWELL SERMON

REV. C. M. HILL SAYS GOOD BYE TO HIS CONGREGATION.

The Rev. C. M. Hill, former pastor of the Tenth-avenue Baptist Church, preached his farewell sermon yesterday and closed a pastorate of eleven years with that church. At the evening services Dr. Hill conducted a special program of hymns and anthems, during which he gave the history of several of the sacred compositions that were sung by the choir. Dr. Hill has accepted the post of president of the Pacific Coast Baptist Theological Union, which will establish a seminary for theological students at Berkeley. The church will hold a reception Friday evening in honor of the retiring pastor and his family.

The hour of Sunday School exercises at the First Methodist Church has been changed, after much consideration from 2:30 o'clock, afternoon, to 10 o'clock, morning. The innovation was made yesterday. Some of the senior Bible classes will continue to meet after morning worship. The new officers of the Sunday School will be installed next Sunday by the Rev. E. R. Dille, the pastor, as follows: Superintendent, L. N. Halliday; assistant, M. T. Colcomb; J. C. Hill; N. Gross; F. A. Souder, Miss Eleanor Gross, secretary, Clarence Beele, assistants, Ernest Holcomb, Howard Taylor, financial secretary, A. H. Trathen; treasurer, F. A. Webster; librarians, Ross C. Hartley, pianist, Miss Fern Frost; superintendent boys' and girls' division, Mrs. G. G. Boehm; superintendent children's division, Mrs. T. H. Hageman; superintendent beginners' division, Miss Della Mincher.

Superintendent Halliday begins his second year in the capacity of salaried head of the school. There are four such paid superintendents of Sunday schools in Northern California, three in San Francisco and one in Oakland.

Music of high order was sung this morning at the First Unitarian Church, under direction of D. P. Hughes, with Mrs. George F. Westell organist. The program follows: Selections from Mendelssohn's Athalia by the full choir; incidental solo by Mrs. Charles Foulter and Mrs. F. A. Wesley; "The Lord Host" (arranged by E. N. Anderson) by a female chorus; bass solo, Judge Me. O. God (Dudley Buck), by John Williams.

Frances C. S. Nash of the Pacific Theological Seminary conducted services yesterday at the Second Congregational Church.

At the First Methodist Church yesterday the Rev. I. N. Halliday preached in the morning. The Rev. G. M. Richmond of Sacramento occupied the pulpit in the evening. The Rev. James Whitaker conducted services yesterday morning at Chester street Methodist Church.

The Rev. Thomas J. Henken who will on October 1, become curate of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, conducted services at that church yesterday morning. The Rev. Charles T. Walkey, the rector, preached last evening.

RUSSIAN EDITORS ARE PLEASED.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 26.—The Novost, referring this morning to the friendly reception by Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky (formerly Governor-General of Vilna, and now Russian Minister of the Interior) of newspaper representatives at Vilna, says:

"It has been a long time since Russian journalists have heard such favorable words from such a high source. The Russian newspapers have long been watching with admiration, not unmixed with envy, the growth in power and prestige of the press in foreign countries, where the newspaper plays such an important part in moulding not only political, but general opinion."

"The kind words of Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky will not, of course, immediately raise Russian journalism to the high plane of its foreign contemporaries, though it gives ground for brighter hopes. However one, however, must remember that it is useless to expect anything in the way of real usefulness on the part of the Russian press while it is bound by the restriction of the censorship. The only condition under which it can really rise to greatness and be an effective, powerful ally of the government is a condition of absolute freedom."

Quick Arrest. J. A. Gullede of Verbena, Ala. was twice in the hospital from a severe case of piles causing twenty-four tumors. After doctors and all remedies failed, Buckle's Anus Salve quickly arrested further inflammation and cured him. It conquers aches and kills disease at Osgood Bros. drugists, Seventh and Broadway and Twelfth and Washington.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

ALBANY.—G. F. Graham and wife, F. Westcott, San Francisco; A. L. Dorn, wife and boy, Celina, O.; L. O. Marsh, San Francisco; M. Marcus, Salt Lake City; T. L. Dolmstag, San Francisco; S. H. Smith, Livermore; C. H. Abbott, Piedmont; Henry Graham, Emil Furth, San Francisco; G. E. Lawrence, Piedmont; A. B. Bittink and wife, L. H. Humphrey and wife, Mrs. Johnson, Oakland; George Force, Miss H. Force, Lakewood, Forth; Chittenden, San Francisco; Florence Fern, Hazel Abernethy, M. E. Pibush, Oakland; Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Ryder, East Oakland; R. L. Hewatton, Berkeley; W. E. Blaggett and wife, Los Angeles; Charles Cumberson, Mrs. K. D. Feien, San Francisco; C. E. Lee, E. W. Hing, City; H. L. Thomas, Tacoma, J. H. Marks, wife and daughter, Greencastle, Ind.

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TOURNAINE.—Mrs. M. C. Scott, Los Angeles; F. McCrane, Miss T. Van Berge, Granger, Idaho; C. E. Lee, E. W. Hing, City; H. L. Thomas, Tacoma, J. H. Marks, wife and daughter, Greencastle, Ind.

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POPULAR ACTOR WILL BE SEEN IN A NEW ROLE. CENTRAL COUNCIL TO ENTERTAIN MEMBERS OF STATE FEDERATION.

Kyrle Bellew comes to the Macdonough Theatre tonight and tomorrow night with that fascinating and intensely dramatic study in criminology, "Halle's Accusation." He will be found supported by a company and surrounded by a production of the typical Lasker & Co. kind. The name of that firm of managers is in its of a sufficient guarantee of the quality of the attraction. To play so skillful and famous a place as 12, M. Holland opposite 30, Bellew shows the rarest of all things, the splendid dramatic play into proper hands. The other familiar names in the company are those of Clara Blauvelt, Hattie Russell, Beverly Sayers, Olive Wynnum, Mignon Hernandez, Stanton Elliott, Frank Connor, Frank McColl, Robert A. W. Glass, Alfred James, and standing date.

THE BURGOMASTER. That phenomenal musical comedy success, "The Burgomaster," under the direction of W. P. Cullen, will be seen at the Macdonough Theatre next Friday and Saturday nights and Sunday matinee. Mr. Cullen has made the handsome production of "The Burgomaster" the best seen on the road, and has retained the piece throughout at great expense, as the opera will be seen in San Francisco for the first time this season. It will be seen right back to New York for a long time.

The cast is a notable one. It includes, as L. P. Parnas as the "Burgomaster," Charles Sherry, Oscar B. Ragland, Fred Butler, R. J. Maye, A. W. Hutchins, Olga von Hatzfeldt, Louise Plackett, Harriet Gordon, Dorothy Rice, the San Francisco, Miss Franklin and others. The chief parts are especially strong ones. The success of this important musical production is expected this morning and from the dictation "The Burgomaster" will be greeted largely at all three performances.

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The Home Club has been so recently organized that people are still wondering

what it is and where it is. It has a membership of over 300 representative men and women of Oakland, Alameda and Berkeley. It is organized on the lines of a social club and yet has a serious object in life, united effort for the betterment of homes. The charter members were invited to join by the trustees of the Mary Smith cottages. The building belongs to the above trustees, who rent it to the Home Club, who in turn sub-let it to individuals or clubs for any occasion. It is elaborately and completely furnished with reception rooms, library, smoking room, auditorium, stage and banquet hall.

The glass and dishes, with the club

monogram, have just arrived from Europe and will be used for the first time tonight.

The club house of classic architecture stands at the intersection of Fourth and Cottage avenues in East Oakland, with Oakland spread out before it and the tawny hills looming behind.

The first opportunity for the general public to view the completed building is the afternoon of Friday, the 30th, when a reception and musicale will be given for the benefit of the Oakland Social Settlement. A fine vaudeville program has been arranged and music and refreshments will be included in the fifty cents admission.

SOLE SURVIVOR OF FIRST FORST. ANTHONY'S LEGISLATURE DEAD

Pierre Barlow Cornwall, Former University Regent and Well Known Business Man Succumbs to a Severe Cold.

SAN FRANCISCO, September 26.—Pierre Barlow Cornwall, a California pioneer of affairs and the last surviving member of the first Legislature of California, died last night at his home, 2611 California street, succumbing to a severe cold that had induced bronchitis.

For a week he had been under the constant attendance of physicians and four days before the end came, they gave up hope of his recovery.

Mr. Cornwall was surrounded at the time of his demise by his wife and four children—Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Fisher, Bruce Cornwall and Arthur Cornwall, who arrived a few days ago from Trinity county in response to a telegram.

Mr. Cornwall had passed four score years, his exact age being 82 years.

Having come across the plains from his home in New York in 1848 with a party of six who first settled at Sutter's Fort at Sacramento, he was one of the earliest pioneers of California.

Born in Delaware county, New York, November 25, 1821, the New England lad was given the best education that could be afforded. From his early youth he showed a marked aptitude for business and was connected with quite a young man with a commission and shipping house in Buffalo, New York.

With keen insight into the future, Cornwall, with several others, planned a trip to the Pacific Coast even before the discovery of gold was made. With his brother and several others, the adventurous young man journeyed to California, arriving here in 1848.

A number of hardships were experienced on the way but when they finally arrived at their destination the mines were just beginning to attract attention. Following the popular trend, young Cornwall followed mining for a while, finally giving up that occupation for general merchandise business at Sacramento.

Coupling integrity with enterprise and ability, the mercantile store proved an immediate success. In ten years Cornwall came to San Francisco and successfully conducted various business enterprises for nearly half a century.

Among the corporations organized and promoted by him were the California Electric Light Company, the Black Diamond Coal Mining Company and the Bellingham Bay and British Columbia.

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Jumbia railroad. It was only last April that he retired from the presidency of the last two companies refusing re-election owing to his advanced age. He was succeeded by H. H. Taylor of San Francisco. Having a wide grasp on commercial problems, Cornwall's ventures were invariably satisfactory.

Although attentive to business, he deceased found time for attending to other interests. Importantly to friends he became a member of the first California Legislature and was the last surviving member of that body.

Never seeking an office for himself, he was a hard worker for the success of Republicanism. For several terms he was chairman of the Republican Central Committee and was a former member of the Board of Regents of the University of California.

Among other honors he has been for twelve successive years president of the Society of California Pioneers. He took an active part in Masonic affairs being a member of the Knights Templar.

For ten years, until he resigned the position, he was president and controlling factor in the Mechanic's Institute. Through his energy he raised the financial standing of the library from \$150,000 to \$1,500,000.

BRAKEMAN IS ROASTED TO DEATH

PORTLAND, Ore., September 26.—An Oregonian special from North Tazewell says: D. M. Steel, a freight brakeman, was slowly roasted to death at or having been pinned between the cabs of his train and a disabled engine which ran into it. The freight train, which was being followed by an engine, stopped at Yakima City, but the brakes of the engine refused to work and it crashed into the rear of the train, telescoping the caboose and two box cars filled with wheat. Steel, who was standing on the rear platform, was caught in the wreckage, which took fire. The trunk of his body was found on the pilot of the engine after the fire had burned out.

CONCERT GIVEN UNDER COVER

BERKELEY, September 26.—On account of the rain the Sunday afternoon concert which usually takes place in the Greek Theater was held in Hearst Hall yesterday afternoon. The program was under the direction of Mr. Ballaricus, the soloist of the occasion. The following Sonatas (Op. 27, No. 2).....I. ethovran Adagio Sostenuto. Allegretto. Presto Agitato. Das Abends (At Evening).....E. Shumann Aufschwung (Exaltation).....E. Shumann Momento Gioioso.....A. Lisztowed

WILL DISTRIBUTE CANNING PROPERTY

A petition has been filed to a distribution of \$66,000 belonging to the estate of the late Mrs. Mary Canning. Under the will the property is to be distributed as follows: One-half to Mrs. Mary Davitt, wife of Michael Davitt, the Irish patriot; one-third to the Roman Catholic Church; and one-sixth to George Montgomery. The estate was appraised at \$68,500.

SAN FRANCISCO PEOPLE WILL ASSIST EAST OAKLAND PASTOR.

The coming fair to be given by St. Anthony's parish in East Oakland promises to be a large success. A large number of San Francisco people have interested themselves in this enterprise and have organized a committee for the purpose of assisting Rev. Father Peter C. York in making it a success.

The fair, which begins on October 15th, and which will be continued for two weeks, exclusive of Sundays, is to be given for the purpose of raising sufficient money to pay off the \$20,000 debt which at present encumbers the new parochial school.

The San Francisco committee will have charge of the program during six nights of the fair. The athletes of the Olympic Club have volunteered to turn nights while on another night, Father York's former parishioners of St. Peter's Church, San Francisco, will contribute to the entertainment.

The Catholic and Irish societies of San Francisco will also participate, and the Catholic ladies of that city are already giving entertainments on their own account to aid the fair fund. During the fair they will have booths of their own, one of which will be in charge of Mrs. Nellie F. Sullivan, Miss Rita Curtis, Miss M. F. McGlade, Mrs. James Burke and Miss Alma Lacombe. On Saturday afternoon, October 15th, the San Francisco friends of Rev. Father York will give an excursion on the bay for which the steamer H. J. Corran will be used. The proceeds of the excursion will also be added to the fair fund.

The steamer will leave Vallejo street wharf, San Francisco, at 1 o'clock sharp, and a fair will be made to Mark Island and Vallejo. St. Mary's College Orchestra of thirty-five pieces will furnish music for the occasion. An opportunity will be given the excursionists to see the Russian battleship Lena. The committee in charge of the excursion is as follows: Lawrence P. Walsh, Frank A. Costello, Captain John P. Seymour, T. J. O'Brien, Neal Power, George A. Connolly, Peter J. Curtis, George R. Galland, Stephen V. Costello, James McElroy, James B. Smith, Joseph Twohig, Richard J. Welch, Herbert Schmitz, Dr. John Gallagher, Dr. A. Keenan, Fred E. Fox, Edward Scully, John J. Flynn, James Gilmartin, Looney, Frank Shea, A. Hanify, Captain J. J. Conniff, Michael Casey, P. F. McCarthy, David Costello, Thomas Dunne.

NEW APPARATUS FOR FRESHMEN

BERKELEY, September 26.—Several new pieces of apparatus have been added this year to the Freshman physics laboratory. The instrument for measuring the acceleration of falling bodies is an especially valuable innovation. The class in Freshman physics contains four sections aggregating about 250 students. They have just finished the first examinations of the year.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses were issued by the County Clerk today:
Lawrence S. Ainsworth, Paisley, Ore. 27
Charlotte A. Henley, Berkeley.....24
John Hust, Oakland.....over 21
Emily M. Andette, Oakland.....over 18
William Frager, Pleasanton.....over 21
Frances Enos, Dougherty.....over 18
Arthur L. Louder, Ogden.....23
Laura S. Hensen, Alameda.....23
Myan T. Bracken, Weed, Siskiyou County.....over 21
Ann C. Deane, Oakland.....over 18
Robert Anderson, San Francisco.....22
Alma Gerbow, San Francisco.....18
Harold T. George, Elmhurst.....25
Alice A. Harris, Elmhurst.....29
George Wade, San Francisco.....29
Mamie A. Burr, Hayward.....20

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PROBATE NOTICE.

In the Superior Court of the County of Alameda, State of California.
In the matter of the estate of Sarah Ellen McGraw, deceased.
Notice of time set for proving will, etc. Notice is hereby given that a petition for the probate of the will of Sarah Ellen McGraw, deceased, and for the issuance to Edward W. McGraw of letters testamentary thereon has been filed in this Court, and that Friday, the 14th day of October, A. D. 1904, at 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, at the Court Room of Department No. 4, of said Court, at the Court House in the City of Oakland, in said County of Alameda, has been set for the hearing of said petition and proving said will, when and where any person interested may appear and contest the same.
Dated, September 26, 1904.
JOHN P. COOK, Clerk.
By WM. ZAMBERKIN, Deputy Clerk.
E. W. McGraw, Attorney for Petitioner, 321 Pine Street, San Francisco, Cal.



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NEW YORK, September 26.—The letter of acceptance of Judge Alton B. Parker which was made public today is as follows:

"To the Hon. Champ Clark and other members of the committee."

Gentlemen:—In my response to you committee at the formal nomination proceedings I referred to some matters not mentioned in this letter. I desire that these be considered as incorporated herein and regret that lack of space prevents specific reference to them. I wish here however again to refer to the views here expressed on the gold standard to declare gain in unqualified belief in said standard and to express my appreciation of the action of the convention in reply to my communication upon this subject.

Grave public questions are pressing for decision. The Democratic party appeals to the people with confidence that its position on these questions will be accepted and endorsed at the polls. While the issues involved in numerous some stand forth prominently in the public mind, among these are the tariff, reform in imperialism, and the trusts.

IMPERIALISM
While I presented my views at the national convention, I am confident that the views of the majority of the people of this country are in accord with those of the majority of the people of the United States.

If we would retain our liberties and our constitutional rights, we must not permit our government to be controlled by a few men for their private purposes. It is the duty of every citizen to see that the government is controlled by the people, and that the people are protected from the abuses of power.

The magnitude of the country and its diversity of interests and population will enable a determined and ambitious and the Executive unimpeded by constitutional limitations and checks, to exercise his power in a manner which will be to the benefit of the people.

The people of the United States stand at the parting of the ways. Shall we follow the footsteps of our fathers, and maintain the principles of liberty and justice for all, or shall we follow the footsteps of our rulers, and maintain the principles of tyranny and oppression for all?

THE TARIFF AND TRUSTS
The tariff is one of the cardinal principles of the Democratic faith, and the necessity for it is never greater than at the present time.

The Dingley tariff is even more a many of its titles and as to them I have no doubt that it is a source of great benefit to the people.

The period of exclusiveness is past. The expansion of our trade and commerce is the pressing problem. A policy of good will and friendly relations with all nations is the only policy that will enable us to maintain our position in the world.

The persistent refusal of the Republican majority in the Federal Senate to ratify the reciprocity treaties negotiated in pursuance with the advocacy of Mr. Blaine and Mr. McKinley is a disgraceful record.

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TRUST REMEDIES
I pointed out in my earlier response the remedy which in my judgment can be applied against monopolies and the abuses of trusts. The remedy is the application of the principles of common law to the trusts and monopolies.

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PANAMA CANAL.
An Isthmian canal has long been the hope of the two great parties. The Panama route having been selected the building of the canal should be pressed to completion with all reasonable expedition.

The methods by which the Executive acquired the Panama canal route and rights are a source of regret to many. The Executive has secured thereby a great public work for the people of the United States. The Executive has secured thereby a great public work for the people of the United States.

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A SUSPICION
This suggests the suspicion at least that the order was made to create an issue—that it was supposed to be a long range political move in the battle of the ballots. But as the making of that order was in my judgment an attempt through perhaps unwittingly, to enmesh upon the legislative power and therefore unavailing by the Constitution for the challenge is accepted. If elected I will revoke that order. But I go further and say that being done I will contribute my efforts toward the enactment of a law to be passed by the House of Congress and approved by the Executive that will give an age pension on without reference to disability to the survivors of the Civil War and under the provisions of which a pension may be given to a widow because of the consciousness that it comes as a just due from the people from their chosen representatives and not as largesse distributed by the Chief Executive.

FOREIGN RELATIONS
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NEWS FROM S. P. YARDS

ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE EMPLOYEES AT WEST OAKLAND SHOPS

A Sure Thing
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BERKELEY

SUBURBAN NEWS

UNIVERSITY

ELOPED AND MADE
GOOD THEIR
PROMISE.

MISS MAYME STAATS AND JOSHUA CREW WED AND THEN TELL RELATIVES.

BERKELEY, September 26.—Miss Mayme Staats, a sister of Town Trustee Redmond C. Staats and Joshua S. Crew, a well known young grain broker of San Francisco, carried out an oft repeated threat, made in fun, and slipped away to San Rafael last Saturday where they were secretly married. Yesterday they returned and informed their relatives that they had made good their declaration that they would elope.

MEET WITH SUCCESS
AMONG THE CHINESE

BERKELEY, September 26.—High praise for Julian H. Arnold, who graduated from the college of commerce of the University of California in the class of '03, has just come to the university in a press clipping from the "Shanghai Press" of August 25th.

The young man went out with Thomas Haskins, another Berkeley student, and, so thorough has been their preparation for diplomatic work in the department of Oriental languages, they have received rapid promotion to an above older men. Haskins is now assistant Chinese secretary in the United States legation at Peking, and Arnold is acting vice-consul at Shanghai. As part of his duties as vice-consul, he is required to act as interpreter at the "Miao" Court, and it was the remarkably effective showing made by the young American in this trying position that has won forth the enthusiastic praise of no Shanghai paper.

APPOINTS DEBATING COMMITTEE. BERKELEY, September 26.—President Cammeyer of the sophomore class has appointed the following debating committee to arrange for the sophomore-freshman debate: P. Wythe, chairman, E. M. Peixotto and L. Benson.

BERKELEY TO HAVE FINAL
REGISTRATION RALLY.

County Candidates Will Assemble in the College Town Wednesday Night.

BERKELEY, September 26.—On Wednesday night a big registration rally will be held at Unity or Shattuck Hall. Registration closes at midnight that night, and a number of Deputy Clerks will be there until that hour. A. C. Wyckoff has agreed to be at Sherman's Drug Store on the corner of Telegraph and Dwight Way

BUSY PREPARING
FOR ENGLISH
PLAY.

COLLEGE STUDENTS WILL ASSIST BEN GREY WITH "HAMLET."

BERKELEY, September 26.—"Hamlet" will be given in Elizabethan manner by Ben Grey's company at the University Saturday, October 1, in the Greek theatre. It will be given according to the second quarto. This edition appeared in 1604, just 300 years ago, and followed by one year the first edition, which apparently, on account of the popularity of the play, was taken down in shorthand from the performance and pirated published. It swarms with errors and absurdities, while the 1609 version, because of its comparative correctness, is supposed to have been printed under the direction of Shakespeare himself or from his manuscript. It contains a number of scenes

that evening to register voters. At the big rally it is proposed to have a number of good speakers, the super excellent Berkeley Quartet and the comparable comedian Milton Sunkin. Besides, there will be free snacks for all who attend. A good, rousing time is anticipated. A large number of county candidates will attend.

and characters not in the ordinary acting version of "Hamlet" and this performance gives an opportunity of seeing the tragedy as it was represented in Shakespeare's own time. A number of undergraduates will take part in the presentation. Among those who will participate are: M. R. Daniels, '05, Gus Keane, '05, James Forre, '05, R. H. Van Sant, '07, S. W. Chisholm, '06, Harry Guterson, '05, A. M. Coley, '04, Frank Gillelen, '05, and Charles Smiley, '07. In addition there will be 12 Danish and 12 Norwegian soldiers to be represented by college men. Professor Ames is managing this part of the play. The stage manager will arrive today, so that rehearsals will begin at once. The play is given under the auspices of the University musical and dramatic committee. The first act will be given at 11 o'clock in the morning and the second act in the afternoon at 2 o'clock.

GIVES LECTURE
ON LIGHTS SOURCE

BERKELEY, September 26.—"The Efficiency of the Source of Light" was the subject of a lecture delivered before the Sigma Psi Honor Fraternity by Dr. Percival. It was a discussion of the relative efficiency of various ordinary sources, such as lamps, incandescent and arc light, which in all cases is very small, only a few per cent of the radiant energy being useful. The light from gases made luminous by electricity is far more efficient than the above, and improved lamps looked for in the direction of utilizing this kind of luminosity.

FARMERS
AT STATE
UNIVERSITY

First Meeting Will be Held at U. C. Tomorrow.

BERKELEY, Sept. 26.—The California State Farmers' Institute will meet at the University of California, Berkeley, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, October 25th, 26th and 27th.

PROGR. M. Tuesday afternoon, October 25th, 3 o'clock, exercises in the Greek Theatre. Address of welcome, Benjamin Ide Wheeler, president of the University; response, Mr. H. C. Raap, Master of California State (range); address, Hon. George C. Pardee, Governor of California; Greek sacrifice procession, arranged by the Department of Greek of the University of California.

Tuesday evening, 8 o'clock (exercises in a lecture room). General subject: "University Extension." Professor H. Morse Stephens, "History, Purpose and Methods of University Extension;" Professor E. J. Wick, "University Extension in Agriculture;" Mr. W. T. Clarke, "Reading and Correspondence Courses."

Wednesday morning, October 26th, 9 o'clock. General subject: "Agricultural Education." President Benjamin Ide Wheeler, "Recent Developments in Agricultural Education;" Professor E. W. Hilgard, "Evolution of Modern Agriculture;" Hon. P. J. Shields, Superior Judge, Sacramento, "Material, Social and Educational Value of Instruction in Agriculture;" Dr. J. Roy Anderson, Director of California Polytechnic School, San Luis Obispo, "Agriculture in Secondary Schools."

11 o'clock, military exercises by the University Battalion. Wednesday afternoon, 2 o'clock, general subject: "Agricultural Organization." Mr. A. R. Spague, president California Fruit Exchange, Sacramento, "Essentials of Agricultural Organization;" Mr. J. H. Reed, Riverside, "Need of Organization or Closer Study

SCORNS THE PRACTICE OF
GIVING PRIZES

Episcopal Minister Roasts Society Women—Treating Habit is Condemned in Sermon.

BERKELEY, September 26.—The practice of giving prizes at card parties and the treating habit were roundly scorned in a sermon given by Rev. W. H. Hodgkins at St. Mark's Episcopal Church last evening. St. Mark's is the largest Episcopal church in Berkeley, and the minister's remarks are causing widespread comment.

"A tendency I have noticed among church women is to give costly prizes at card parties," he said. It is an entirely different matter to present a trifling favor to stimulate competition. The man who gambles in the rear of a saloon is doing the same thing in his opinion as the woman who is competing for a prize valued at \$20 or \$30.

"The habit of treating leads directly to the evil of drinking to excess. Every man should not only refuse to treat but refuse to be treated."

of California Fruits." Professor A. J. Cook, Conductor of Farmers' Institutes in Southern California, "Farmers' Clubs and Farmers' Institutes;" Mr. D. T. Fowler, Conductor of Farmers' Institutes in Central and Northern California, "The Rochdale System in California."

Thursday morning, October 27th, 9 o'clock. General subject: "Agricultural Development." Mr. W. W. Stafford, State Commissioner of Labor Statistics, San Francisco, "Farm Labor in California;" Professor Elwood Mead, Chief of Irrigation and Drainage Investigation, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., "The Need of Training in Agricultural Engineering;" Mr. C. H. Merckham, Vice-President and General Manager, Southern Pacific Company, San Francisco, "The Farmer and the Railroad—Their Relations."

Wednesday evening, 8 o'clock. General subject: "Agricultural Research." Professor C. W. Woodworth, "Progress in Agricultural Investigation;" short addresses upon special lines of investigation, Professor M. E. Jaffa, Professor E. W. Major, Professor A. V. Stubbs, Professor R. E. Smith, Professor G. W. Shaw.

Thursday afternoon, October 27th, 2 o'clock. General subject: "Agricultural Research." Mr. E. F. Adams, Agricultural Editor, The Chronicle, San Francisco, "The Farmer as a Business Man;" Mr. Charles H. Bentley, manager Sales Department, California Fruit Canners' Association, "The Merchant as a Factor in Marketing;" Professor Carl C. Plenn, "Taxation;" Mr. John Tuohy, "Taxation for State and County Revenue."

Thursday evening, 8 o'clock, Professor Elwood Mead, "Irrigation Abroad," an account of recent observation in foreign irrigated countries, illustrated by lantern slides of notable irrigation structures, etc.

Short Courses of the College of Agriculture. The Daily School for 1904 will open October 11th and will be in full operation during the institute. Enrollment for the short courses in Agriculture, Horticulture, etc., may be made during the intervals of the institute and instruction will begin on Friday morning, October 28th, and continue six weeks according to the schedule laid down in the descriptive circulars which are now ready and can be had by mail or application to E. W. Hilgard, Dean of the College of Agriculture, Berkeley, Cal.

WHEELER GIVEN
HONORARY
DEGREE.

UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT IS NOW ATTENDING EXERCISES AT COLUMBIA.

BERKELEY, September 26.—The degree of LL.D. was conferred upon President Wheeler by the University of Illinois on the occasion of its seventy-fifth anniversary celebration. This university situated at Jacksonville, is one of the oldest and most conservative in the Middle West, and enjoys the reputation of being careful with its degrees, so that this act is in itself a considerable honor. Today the president expects to be in Columbia attending the scientific association and graduate conference at the University of Missouri. Now that the International Congress of Arts and Sciences is in progress at St. Louis, a number of the most prominent scientists and educators in the world will be present and make this conference a notable one. President Wheeler expects to leave the East in time to be in Berkeley October 1 for Ben Grey's production of "Hamlet."

GERMAN CLUB
ELECTS OFFICERS

BERKELEY, September 26.—The Spreckels held its initial meeting of the term on Friday evening at 212 Union street for the purpose of electing officers. The new officers elected are as follows: President, Miss Louise Schaefer, vice-president, Miss Amelia Schmeier, '05 and secretary-treasurer, H. W. H. '06. The purpose of the club is to aid students of the German language by conversation. The Spreckels will hold an open house meeting this evening at 7 o'clock at 212 Union street. All German students are invited to be present.

LETTING THE BIDS ON COLLEGE BUILDING. BERKELEY, September 26.—In spite of an inclement start, California Hall has made such a start that the bids for roofing and carpentry have been opened for the last Saturday bids were opened for the University building. The bidding will be opened in the afternoon at 2 p. m. in the University building in South Hall. All bidders on the work are requested to send representatives.

HAYWARDS, SAN LEANDRO, EMERYVILLE, FRUITVALE, GOLDEN GATE

SUMMER SCHOOL A
STUDENTS TO
BANQUET.

TRAINER CHRISTIE WILL ALLOW FOOTBALL MEN TO ATTEND.

BERKELEY, September 26.—A banquet will be given by the summer school students next Saturday night. The expenses will be paid from the rebates of the summer school, which may be had at the secretary's office Wednesday. All of these students are invited and a thoroughly enjoyable time is guaranteed. Trainer Christie announces that football men will be allowed to attend provided training rules are not broken. All those wishing to participate will please consult one of the following committee today or tomorrow: R. P. O. Newcomb, '06, W. W. Henry, '06, E. J. Snow, '06, C. C. Oliver, '06.

SUCCESSFUL
AFFAIR.

ELMHURST RED MEN GIVE A LITERARY AND MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT.

ELMHURST, September 26.—The literary and musical entertainment given under the auspices of Comanche Tribe, I. O. R. M., in Red Men's Hall, last Saturday evening, was one of the most enjoyable social events of the season. The Red Men had spared no pains to procure the finest talent for their program, and this fact was duly appreciated by those who attended. Every number was heartily applauded, and many of the performers were forced to respond to encores.

The hall presented a beautiful appearance. Those having the decorations in charge had transformed the bare walls into a maze of color. Festoons of flowers and ferns were suspended from the ceiling, and the stage had been almost covered with foliage. After the rendition of the program, a banquet was served, which was enjoyed by all. Entertainment was then indulged in until a late hour.

The following committee proved their ability in arranging for the affair: C. H. Alvord, Manuel D. Silva and Walter P. Collis.

ITEMS OF INTEREST. W. Parker reports the arrival of a native daughter at his home last Friday evening.

Dr. Lynch was a visitor in Centerville recently.

PROFESSOR MEAD HIGHLY HONORED. Elwood Mead of the department of agriculture of the University, who is an international authority on irrigation, has been honored with the position of vice-president of the society for the promotion of engineering which recently met at St. Louis.

EXPLOSION VICTIMS
ARE RECOVERING

BERKELEY, September 26.—L. D. Parker, a cabinetmaker who was injured in an explosion of acetylene gas at the Chicago hotel last Saturday night, will recover. J. H. Sweetman and Edmund Metras, who were bruised have almost entirely recovered. The explosion was caused when Parker attempted to find a leak in the gas machine by lighting a match.

BUILDING
NOW ON

CONTRACTORS OF SAN LEANDRO ARE CROWDED WITH WORK.

SAN LEANDRO, September 26.—Probably never before in the history of this city, have so many new buildings been in course of construction at the same time. There is hardly a street in the town but can boast of at least one new residence being erected, and in several sections, two and three structures in a row are being built. All the local builders report that they have almost as much work as they can properly attend to. The following are some of the latest building items and reality transactions:

Contractors Williams has commenced work on the new residence of John Morehouse Jr. When completed, it will be one of the handsomest dwellings in the city.

J. W. Harbert has made arrangements for raising his cottage and will add another story.

The Suburban Electric Light Company has just completed the wiring of the new Cardosa cottage on San Lorenzo avenue.

E. J. Holland has just purchased from Allen E. Potter, the lot lying between his recent purchase and the Luis property on San Lorenzo avenue.

Contractor Comacho will soon commence work on a cottage for Peter Fraga. The new residence will be erected on Mr. Fraga's lot on Chumalia street, adjoining the Levea cottage.

A Rogers has just let a contract to George Barkley for the erection of a five-room cottage on his property on Estudillo avenue. The cottage will be of the bungalow order, and the plans are being drawn by C. Cook of Oakland. The ground on the lot was broken last week, and active work begins this week. The new house will be ready for use some time in December.

BOOM CONTINUE
TWO DAYS.

NATIVE SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF HAYWARDS PROLONG FESTIVITIES.

HAYWARDS, September 26.—The parlors of the Native Sons and Daughters held a special session last Saturday, at which the results of the indoor fair were discussed and found to be entirely satisfactory. It was finally decided to continue the festivities Monday and Tuesday evenings, for several reasons. Many people from Oakland and San Francisco, who had planned to be present during the fair, were unable to do so on account of the inclemency of the weather. Those who have had the booth in charge report that a considerable portion of their wares remain unsold. It is also stated that many who have been attending the fair, are so favorably impressed with the way that it is being carried on that they have requested that it be continued.

No special program has been arranged Monday and Tuesday evenings, but those in charge state that they will have a treat in store for those who attend.

WILL GIVE A BALL. Haywards Council No. 15, U. P. E. C., is arranging for the annual grand ball, to be held in the Native Sons' Hall, Saturday evening, October 1st. The committee have been very busy in extending every effort to make the affair a success and present indications favor a very enjoyable time. The dance will be followed by a banquet. The committee in charge of the arrangements have secured the services of Victor's Orchestra, whose merits are well known to all who have heard them.

PLANING MILL OPENS. The new planing mill at the Hayward Agricultural Works opened today and is now ready for work. The machinery installed in the new plant is modern and up-to-date, and is capable of turning out the finest material.

A new foundation is now being placed under the paint shop, the rear of which will be utilized as a storage room for mouldings and other material.

Services were held at Trinity Episcopal Church both morning and evening yesterday. Special music had been arranged for, which was greatly appreciated by all present.

MRS. POWELL IMPROVING. Mrs. A. J. Powell, who was suddenly taken ill with typhoid malaria and removed to the Fabiol Hospital recently, is very much improved, although she has not yet entirely recovered.

PERSONAL MENTION. George Smalley and Ted Dale have returned from Alaska, where they have been engaged in salm packing. Miss Anna Delwig of San Jose, visited with Mrs. George Grindell recently. Miss Lettie Shore of Watsonville has been the guest of Miss Lillian Gibson for several days.

FAIR WILL
GIVE A
RECITAL.

KING'S DAUGHTERS OF GOLDEN GATE PLAN AN ENTERTAINMENT.

GOLDEN GATE, September 26.—On Friday evening, September 30, the King's Daughters Society of this place will give a recital at Klinkner Hall. The promises to be something out of the ordinary. For some time the committee in charge has been actively engaged in making preparations for the event and has secured some really excellent talent. With the aid of such people the recital cannot fail to be a success. Refreshments will be served and beyond a doubt the attendance will be exceptionally large.

WILL ENTERTAIN. It is rumored that the Christian Endeavorers of the Presbyterian Church here will shortly give an entertainment, but the exact nature of the affair has not yet been disclosed. From what is said, however, there is reason to suppose that it will be something good and the young people are said to be sparing no effort to devise something original for the occasion. The date has not yet been set, but it will be some time in the very near future.

EXTENSION LECTURE
COURSE IS ANNOUNCED

BERKELEY, September 26.—Beginning next month another course of extension lectures will be given at the Mechanics' Institute in San Francisco by Professor H. Morse Stephens. The dates and subjects of the lectures are as follows: October 10th—"Establishment of the Coast Survey, 1792, early career of the First Coast Survey, Bonaparte, October 24th—"The Wars of the Consulate," November 7th—"The Peace of the Consulate," December 14th—"The Peace of the Consulate," January 14th—"The Peace of the Consulate," February 14th—"The Peace of the Consulate," March 14th—"The Peace of the Consulate," April 14th—"The Peace of the Consulate," May 14th—"The Peace of the Consulate," June 14th—"The Peace of the Consulate," July 14th—"The Peace of the Consulate," August 14th—"The Peace of the Consulate," September 14th—"The Peace of the Consulate," October 14th—"The Peace of the Consulate," November 14th—"The Peace of the Consulate," December 14th—"The Peace of the Consulate," January 14th—"The Peace of the Consulate," February 14th—"The Peace of the Consulate," March 14th—"The Peace of the Consulate," April 14th—"The Peace of the Consulate," May 14th—"The Peace of the 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